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## OUR PIANO CONTEST.

### Nineteen New Subscribers and 72 Renewals This Week.

The past week our piano and prize contest has been equally as warm as this unusual March weather, and much excitement has resulted among the Keytesville township contestants, but matters were nothing like so lively in the county contest.

One of the two elegant watches went to Miss Annie Moorman of Keytesville with a total of 124,850 votes and the other was won by Miss Lady Blackwell of Bowling Green township who received 22,000, while the Eadington Sisters were a close second with 21,780 votes. The following is the exact number of votes each contestant had up to yesterday (Thursday) morning:

KEYTESVILLE TOWNSHIP CONTESTANTS.	
Miss Katie Mills, Keytesville.....	312,880
Miss Anna Moorman, Keytesville.....	282,790
Miss Edith Fetzer, Keytesville.....	77,170
Mrs. J. C. Jenkins, Keytesville.....	71,110
Miss Leolyn Sneed, Keytesville.....	45,680
Miss Lulu Crisman, Keytesville.....	37,300
Miss Christine Arensmeier, Keytesville.....	15,170
Miss Edith Swearingin, Keytesville.....	10,050
Miss Maud Rucker, Keytesville.....	5,200
Miss Bertha Coleman, Keytesville.....	3,590
Miss Bettie Conrad, Keytesville.....	550
Miss Vivian Walther, Keytesville.....	550
Miss Fannie Gardner, Keytesville.....	50

COUNTY CONTESTANTS.	
Eadington Sisters, Salisbury.....	289,320
Miss Lady Blackwell, Keytesville.....	184,410
Mrs. T. H. Edwards, Salisbury.....	109,600
Miss Lillie Brandt, Dalton.....	72,760
Miss Nora F. Dodge, Bynumville.....	52,560
Miss Fannie Gunn, Salisbury.....	45,720
Miss Mabel Hartman, Mendon.....	36,080
Miss Elizabeth Grace, Whitham.....	35,250
Miss Ethel Payton, Salisbury.....	11,740
Miss Chloe Clarkson, Musselfork.....	11,560
Miss Beulah Minor, Salisbury.....	9,410
Miss Eunice McMahon, Prairie Hill.....	7,530
Miss Tulsa Phelps, Salisbury.....	6,480
Miss Grace Wesson, Musselfork.....	3,040
Miss Hazel Bozworth, Salisbury.....	2,300
Miss Rose Bayne, Hamden.....	1,110
Mrs. John P. Becker, Wison.....	1,000
Miss Ethel Bash, Mendon.....	580
Miss Mary Wires, Triplett.....	550
Miss Vick O'Connell, Triplett.....	110
Miss Elizabeth Mulligan, Brunswick.....	110
Miss Emma Brown, Triplett.....	60
Miss Evelyn Wells, Shannondale.....	60
Miss Lera Conrad, Prairie Hill.....	60
Miss Amanda Barnes, Brunswick.....	50
Miss Katie Barry, Mendon.....	50
Miss Nora Burgess, Mendon.....	50
Miss Marie Fleetwood, Triplett.....	50
Miss Frances Geisler, Salisbury.....	50
Miss Myrtis Hampton, Triplett.....	50
Miss Ara Head, Mendon.....	50
Miss Theo. Jackson, Brunswick.....	50
Miss Ella Jackson, Salisbury.....	50
Miss Annie James, Salisbury.....	50
Miss Alberta Knappenberger, Brunswick.....	50
Miss Goldie Legender, Salisbury.....	50
Miss Eleanor Magruder, Brunswick.....	50
Miss Adda Mortimeyer, Brunswick.....	50
Miss Ilo Nichols, Mendon.....	50
Miss Blanche Owen, Brunswick.....	50
Miss Madge Peterson, Triplett.....	50
Miss Rilda Phelps, Salisbury.....	50
Miss Carrie Reed, Salisbury.....	50
Miss Laura Robertson, Triplett.....	50
Miss Eola Sasse, Brunswick.....	50
Miss Jennie Stephenson, Snyder.....	50
Miss Minnie Talkington, Prairie Hill.....	50
Miss Altha Wescott, Lagonda.....	50
Miss Myrtle Young, Salisbury.....	50

#### A BONUS FOR HUSTLING.

The contestant who secures most new subscriptions between Thursday morning, March 24, and Saturday evening April, 2, 1910, will receive a bonus of 10,000 votes. The one who gets second largest amount will get 8,000 votes. Third will get 6,000 votes. Fourth 4,000 votes and fifth 2,000 votes.

These are the days to hustle, and this bonus will help you in your race for the piano.

#### Eggs

For sale from a good strain of Silver Laced Wyandottes, 50 cts per setting, or \$3 for 100. Address Keytesville, R. F. D. No. 1 or phone me at Pee Dee, Mrs. ALICE STEPHENS.

#### Eggs for Sale.

R. C. Brown Leghorns, 50 cts. per setting of 15 or \$3 for 100. Mrs. E. V. ENYEART, Keytesville, Mo.

#### For Sale.

Thoroughbred Single Comb Rhode Island Red eggs 50 cts. for 15, \$3 per 100, 30 cts. for 15 range eggs.

Mrs. W. C. STEPHENSON, Keytesville, Mo. R. F. D. No. 2.

#### A Good Show Coming.

LeComte, Flesher & Wade's big musical comedy, "The Flower of the Ranch", with a cast of 40 people has been booked to appear for one night at Karcher's opera-house in Salisbury. This company has been secured only by being given a guarantee of \$250. Seats now selling. Watch for date next week in this paper.

#### Eggs for Sale.

Single Comb Rhode Island Reds from the famous Maes J. Beall strain (Horse Cave, Ky.) \$50 per setting of 15 eggs or \$3 for 100.

Mrs. G. K. ADAMS, R. F. D. 1, Keytesville, Mo. Phone, U 52.

#### A Pig to a Pappy.

A "pee wee" journalist is one who cares more for his pocket-book than he does for the public, and caters to officials higher in rank and elevates its nasal organ at officials lesser in authority such as road overseers.

All officers who do not do their duty are placed in same category by the editor of the COURIER, but such is not the case with the "pee wee" of the Press-Spectator, who has others write for his paper what he is incapable of writing himself. Strange that the reputed "editor" of the Press-Spectator should imagine for a solitary second that he possesses such a valuable asset as "a mind."

We will bet a pig to a puppy he did not write the article in last week's Press-Spectator concerning County Highway Engineer O. G. Dameron, the road-overseers and the COURIER. This wager is giving him big odds as pigs are now much higher on the market than puppies.

#### Tit for Tat.

L. D. Hyde and A. B. McMahon, a couple of farmers of near Keytesville, are in trouble over Mr. Hyde's cattle trespassing on Mr. McMahon's premises. The Hyde bovines were brought to town and impounded, and the owner had to pay 50 cts. a head for their release.

They again went back to forage on McMahon's farm, and he got Constable Jas. Washam to come after them. McMahon and the constable were driving the cattle to town when they met Hyde and he demanded that his stock be turned loose. The demand was refused, and Hyde went to the house and returned with a shotgun and threatened to kill McMahon and Washam and forced them to abandon the cattle.

The two men assailed went before Justice Warner Ford and swore out a warrant for Hyde, charging him with felonious assault with intent to kill. The warrant was served by Sheriff A. N. Harding Monday afternoon, and Hyde's preliminary hearing has been set to take place before Justice Ford to-morrow.

Hyde retaliated by having a warrant issued by Justice Ford, lodging the complaint against McMahon of disturbing his peace by quarreling, challenging, etc.

McMahon's trial has been docketed for next Monday, March 28.

Both defendants gave bond for their appearance.

#### Hardware Store Sold.

Mrs. M. G. Blake of this place has disposed of her stock of hardware, known as the Chariton Hardware Co., to F. A. Adams of Kirksville for \$3,800, she taking in on the trade a nice residence belonging to Mr. Adams in Kirksville at \$2,500. Mr. Adams will move the goods to Kirksville and continue in business. The Chariton Hardware Co. had gotten to be a well and favorably known business concern in and around Keytesville, and we are sorry to see the firm go out of business.

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Little Sultana  
and Single Binder  
5 Cent Cigars**  
Always Reliable and up to Standard  
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#### More New Suits.

The following new suits for the ensuing May term of circuit court at Keytesville have been filed with Circuit Clerk W. L. Wright since the last issue of the COURIER:

#### CITIL CASES.

Henry Laker vs. John Laker et al, equity. John D. Taylor of Keytesville is plaintiff's attorney.

Nelson C. Field vs. A. J. Lynn et al, suit to quiet title. John D. Taylor is of counsel for plaintiff.

J. D. Adams vs. Hiram Piper, breach of contract, and damages.

U. A. House of Sumner and O. F. Libby of Laclede are plaintiff's legal advisers.

Mary S. Burstert vs. Maurice Burstert, divorce. Plaintiff and defendant were married at Wien, this county, Sep. 25, 1894, and continued to live together thereafter as husband and wife until the 16th day of March, 1910, when plaintiff left defendant and has lived separate and apart from him ever since. Mrs. Burstert charges her husband with having, about one year after their marriage, and just a few weeks after the birth of their first child, brutally beaten and struck her with his fist, without any cause whatever, and refusing to allow her to occupy the same bed with him, claiming, falsely, that she had been untrue to him; that during all of their married life ever since the first beating above mentioned, defendant has gradually become more cruel and harsh in his treatment of plaintiff, cruelly beating her time after time, without cause or provocation, to that extent that she is unable to give the exact number of times, but so harsh and brutal was his treatment on one occasion as to knock out three of plaintiff's teeth, and at various times to discolor the skin on various portions of her body, causing the blood to gush from her nose. Plaintiff says further that, in addition to her husband's brutal treatment, he pretended to be jealous, charging her, in the presence of others, with being untrue to him and criminally intimate with other men, and on divers occasions denying the paternity of his own children, going so far as to charge plaintiff with being criminally intimate with a colored man, and that said colored man was the father of one of her children. For the sake of her children, plaintiff says that she bore defendant's brutal treatment for years, hoping for some improvement in his conduct, but instead of improving he grew worse from year to year until the 16th day of March, 1910, just before she left him, he gave her an unmerciful beating, blackening and bruising her eye, kicking her on the limb, causing a discoloration of the skin until it was black and blue; striking her over the head with a stove poker three different times, and saying that she ought to be killed. Fearing for her life, she fled from defendant and went to the home of her father where she and her three youngest children now remain. Four children were born of said marriage, namely: Joseph, aged 15; Gustave, 13; Louis Roland, 7, and Francis, 3 years old. Mrs. Burstert informs the court that her husband is the owner of 80 acres of land of the reasonable value of \$3,500, and personal property of the reasonable value of \$2,000. She further informs the court that she has no property of her own, except her interest in the 80 acres of land above mentioned, which she

#### Cupid's Conquests.

GEORGE-SEVIER:—Oliver B. George of Ashland, Ill., and Miss Cora M. Sevier of Triplett were married by Justice T. W. Triplett of Triplett Friday, March 18, 1910. Mr. and Mrs. George have our best wishes.

HEDRICK LINEBAUGH:—Walter Hedrick of Marceline and Miss Maggie Linebaugh of Westville were married at the residence of the officiating justice of the peace, J. H. Slaughter of near Westville, Wednesday, March 16, 1910. Good luck to them.

SHOOT-MCPHERSON:—Jas. H. Shoot of Kansas City, formerly of Mendon, and Miss Effie McPherson of near Mendon stole a march on their friends by hieing themselves to Carrollton where they were married Wednesday, March 16, 1910, at the Florence hotel. They will make their home in Kansas City where the bridegroom has established an enviable reputation as a painter. The COURIER extends congratulations to this worthy couple.

CLARK-UNDERWOOD:—C h a s. R. Clark and Miss Myrtle Underwood, both of Dean Lake, were married at Triplett Saturday, March 19, 1910, Justice T. W. Triplett making the twin one. The bridal couple have set up to house-keeping in the Larkin Green residence property which Mr. Clark purchased a few months ago. The bridegroom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Clark, and the bride is an attractive daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mack Underwood of Dean Lake. The COURIER hopes for them bon voyage upon the sea of wedlock and that their pathway may be strewn with roses without thorns.

The Salisbury Press-Spectator of last week tells its readers that "any ass can bray, but it takes a nightingale to sing." The Press-Spectator seems to be a combination of both an ass and a nightingale, and is therefore a monstrosity with neither ancestry nor hope of posterity. It sings for County Highway Engineer O. G. Dameron and brays at the roadoverseers.

holds with the defendant as joint tenant. Plaintiff, therefore, prays that the bonds of matrimony now existing between her and the defendant may be dissolved; that she be given the care, custody and control of her four said children, and that the court will award her alimony in such sum as the court may seem just and proper. etc. Johnson & Johnson of Salisbury brought the suit for Mrs. Burstert whose maiden name was Miss Mary Stillman.

## POTATOES

Just received a shipment of Northern grown Early Rose and Early Ohio seed potatoes. Onion Sets and Cloves Northern grown garden seed of all kinds that you can rely upon. We especially solicit your orders for all kinds of field seeds.

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That was a great victory for the Democrats in the fourteenth district congressional election in Massachusetts Tuesday, the Democratic candidate winning by 5,640. The nominal Republican majority in that district is something over 14,000.

A tailor, who has been working for A. Harms of this place, got on a very high lonesome the first of the week and lost his reason to such an extent that he was discovered disrobing himself down about the colored school-house. He was arrested and lodged in the calaboose, but was released yesterday and purchased a ticket for him to Carrollton. What has Carrollton done to Keytesville to deserve such a fate?

#### Probate Pointers.

The last will and testament of Lucinda S. Smith having been admitted to probate, and D. G. Cupp having been named as executor thereof, he is so appointed by the court. Executor's bond in the sum of \$4,000 is approved with Jas. G. Oldham, Thos. Edgar, H. J. Snider, George Smith and L. E. Cupp as securities.

On application of M. W. Anderson it is ordered that he be and is appointed administrator of the estate of Lucy A. Bewley, deceased. Administrator's bond in the sum of \$500 is approved with W. C. Gaston and H. B. Richardson as securities. M. W. Anderson was also appointed as guardian and curator of the estate of Raymond A. and Lucy M. Chivers, minor heirs of said Lucy A. Bewley. Guardian and curator's bond in the sum of \$3,000 is approved with W. C. Gaston and H. B. Richardson as securities.

Misses Carolyn Anderson, Rebecca Moore, Carrie Wheeler and Sammy Vaughan were Brunswick visitors Saturday.

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